| 1  | BEFORE THE ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION   |        |
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| 3  | IN THE MATTER OF: )   |        |
| 4  | SUPERIOR TECHNOLOGIES, INC., ) d/b/a SUPERIOR SPECTRUM ) d/b/a SPECTRUM LD )                            | )<br>) |
| 5  | ) No. 02-066  | 9      |
| 6  | Application for a certificate of ) service authority to operate as ) non-facilities-based reseller of ) |        |
| 7  | interexchange telecommunications )  |        |
| 8  | services within the State of Illinois.)   |        |
| 9  | Chicago, Illinois<br>October 31, 2002   |        |
| 10 | Met, pursuant to notice.  |        |
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| 12 | BEFORE:   |        |
| 13 | Mr. John Riley, Administrative Law Judge.   |        |
|    | APPEARANCES:  |        |
| 14 | MS. STACEY KLINZMAN   |        |
| 15 | for the applicant. (telephonically)   |        |
| 16 | (telephonically)  |        |
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| 18 | SULLIVAN REPORTING COMPANY, by  |        |
| 19 | FRANCISCO E. CASTANEDA, CSR,<br>License No. 084-004235  |        |
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| 3  | Witnesses:<br>MR. DAVID<br>PUSKALA | Re-<br><u>Direct Cross</u> <u>direct</u>     | Re- By      |
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| 9  | APPLICANT'S                        | E X H I B I T S<br>For Identification        | In Evidence |
| 10 | No. 1<br>No. 2                     | 16<br>17                                     | 17<br>17    |
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| 1  | JUDGE RILEY: Pursuant to the direction of          |
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| 2  | Illinois Commerce Commission, I now call Docket    |
| 3  | 02-0669, this is an application by Superior        |
| 4  | Technologies, Inc., doing business as Superior     |
| 5  | Spectrum doing business as Spectrum LD, for a      |
| 6  | certificate of service authority to operate as     |
| 7  | non-facilities-based reseller of interexchange     |
| 8  | telecommunications services within the State of    |
| 9  | Illinois.  |
| 10 | Ms. Klinzman, would you state your name and        |
| 11 | spell your last name for the record.               |
| 12 | MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Certainly. My name is         |
| 13 | Stacey, S-t-a-c-e-y, Klinzman, K-l-i-z-m-a-n. I am |
| 14 | associated with Miller, Isar, Inc., and we are     |
| 15 | regulatory consultants for Superior Technologies.  |
| 16 | JUDGE RILEY: And at this time the witness is       |
| 17 | Mr. David I'm sorry, please say again.             |
| 18 | MR. DAVID PUSKALA: Yeah. It's Puskala, David       |
| 19 | Puskala.   |
| 20 | JUDGE RILEY: And you are going to be               |
| 21 | testifying for the applicant in this matter?       |

MR. DAVID PUSKALA: Correct.

- 1 JUDGE RILEY: Let me administer the oath.
- 2 (Witness sworn.)
- JUDGE RILEY: And, Ms. Klinzman, did you want
- 4 to call the witness first?
- 5 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Certainly. I'm not an --
- I have a law degree. I'm not actually an attorney
- 7 practicing law, so I don't know if that's
- 8 appropriate.
- JUDGE RILEY: Why don't I run with it.
- 10 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Okay. Would you like to
- take care a preliminary matter or two?
- 12 JUDGE RILEY: Certainly. Go ahead.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Okay. Your Honor, this
- 14 morning when we were going over the documentation
- filed, we noticed a discrepancy in the application
- and it appears at Paragraph No. 10 on Page 4 of the
- 17 application under certificate suspensions or
- 18 revocations. And please be advised that this was an
- administrative oversight by the company.
- JUDGE RILEY: All right.
- 21 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: And that needs to be
- 22 corrected, and I would like to ask that a motion to

- 1 amend be made.
- 2 The company had it's certificate
- 3 administratively revoked in the state of Wisconsin.
- I don't know if you're aware or not but Wisconsin
- 5 has a special rule that you're revoked without
- 6 notice if you fail to file you're annual report on
- 7 time.
- 8 That occurred, and the company has since been
- 9 reinstated. As I stated, it was an administrative
- 10 revocation only.
- JUDGE RILEY: And it was for failure to --
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: File an annual report.
- 13 They just do it without notice automatically.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: Right. And most states do.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: And I can't tell you how
- many clients we've had that have had to play with
- 17 that one.
- JUDGE RILEY: Well, it's been reinstated
- 19 though.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Absolutely.
- JUDGE RILEY: Sure. All you do is pay the late
- 22 fee.

- 1 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Yeah. And do all that
- 2 good stuff.
- 3 JUDGE RILEY: The application is amended to
- 4 reflect that the applicant certificate was revoked
- 5 administratively in Wisconsin for failure to file an
- 6 annual report but was reinstated.
- 7 You don't know what the date of the
- 8 reinstatement was; do you?
- 9 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: It was this month, sir.
- JUDGE RILEY: In October of '02.
- MR. DAVID PUSKALA: October 3.
- 12 MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: And I have one more minor
- matter if I may continued to be heard, sir.
- 14 JUDGE RILEY: All right.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Since the filings of this
- application, the company has received its
- interexchange authority in Ohio.
- 18 So it is now authorized in the states of
- 19 Michigan, Wisconsin, Florida, Minnesota and Ohio.
- 20 JUDGE RILEY: And is that under --
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Paragraph No. 9, sir.
- JUDGE RILEY: That's what I was looking for.

| 1  | so we're just adding the state of Onio?         |
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| 2  | MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Yes, sir. And now we're    |
| 3  | only pending in Illinois.                       |
| 4  | JUDGE RILEY: Right. So let the record reflect   |
| 5  | that the application is also amended to reflect |
| 6  | that, under question No. 9, the applicant has   |
| 7  | received its certification to be to provide     |
| 8  | telecommunications services in Ohio.            |
| 9  | Was that everything?                            |
| 10 | MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Thank you, sir.            |
| 11 | Dave, was there anything else we needed to      |
| 12 | mention at this point?                          |
| 13 | MR. DAVID PUSKALA: No, I don't think so.        |
| 14 | JUDGE RILEY: All right. Then application is     |
| 15 | amended with regard to Questions 9 and 10.      |
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- 1 (Witness previously sworn.)
- 2 DAVID PUSKALA,
- 3 having been called as a witness herein, after having
- 4 been first duly sworn, was examined and testified as
- 5 follows:
- 6 EXAMINATION
- 7 BY
- 8 JUDGE RILEY:
- 9 Q. And now having sworn the witness, Mr. Puskala,
- would you state your name and spell it for the
- 11 record.
- 12 A. Sure. My name David Puskala. David,
- D-a-v-i-d; Puskala, P-u-s-k-a-l-a.
- Q. And what is your title with the company?
- 15 A. I'm the vice president and chief operating
- officer of Superior Technologies.
- 17 Q. And Superior Technologies, Inc., is the
- 18 applicant; is that correct?
- 19 A. Correct.
- Q. All right. And where is your office located?
- 21 A. In Marquette, Michigan.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Your Honor, would like

- 1 the entire address?
- JUDGE RILEY: I'll get the information as I
- 3 need it. That's okay.
- 4 BY JUDGE RILEY:
- 5 Q. And is that where, principally, the books and
- 6 records and kept?
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And this a Michigan corporation?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. And it's my understanding that the applicant is
- applying for a certificate to provide just resold
- interexchange services only?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- Q. Does the company contemplate building or
- obtaining facilities in Illinois?
- 16 A. No, not at this time and really not in the
- 17 foreseeable future.
- 18 Q. And it doesn't plan on providing local service
- 19 either; is that correct?
- 20 A. At this time, no, but that is something that is
- 21 more on a resold basis on our radar screen.
- Q. All right.

- 1 A. But not within the next 12 months I don't
- 2 think.
- 3 Q. So that's barely on the horizon, if at all.
- 4 A. Right.
- 5 Q. Now, the name that is to appear on the
- 6 certificates, it's my understanding would be
- 7 Superior Technologies, Inc., doing business as
- 8 Superior Spectrum doing business as Spectrum LD; is
- 9 that correct?
- 10 A. That's correct, yeah.
- JUDGE RILEY: Now, with regard to the financial
- data that was submitted, and I will also,
- Ms. Klinzman, take your motion to keep this
- information confidential and proprietary at all
- 15 times.
- MS. STACEY KLINZMAN: Thank you, your Honor.
- 17 BY JUDGE RILEY:
- 18 Q. I note that it is dated as of December 31,
- 19 2001. Is this all for Superior Technologies,
- 20 Incorporated, or is there a. . .
- 21 A. The financials are combined financials for
- 22 Superior Technologies, Incorporated, and SuperCom

- 1 Limited Partnership.
- Q. What is SuperCom Limited Partnership?
- 3 A. It totally is a paging company that operates
- 4 just in the upper peninsula of Michigan.
- 5 Q. And what is its relationship to Superior? Is
- it subsidiary or just a partner?
- 7 A. Superior Technologies is the general partner in
- 8 the SuperCom Limited Partnership, and the ownership
- 9 of the two organizations is the same.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. It's owned by the same owners.
- 12 Q. And who are the owners?
- 13 A. The owners are Very Good Telephone Company,
- 14 Hiawatha Communications, Incorporated, and Penvest,
- 15 Incorporated, which is a subsidiary of WPS
- 16 Resources.
- 17 (Whereupon, further proceedings
- were had in camera.)

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